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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)		246472010200				
CONCERNING A SUBMISSION	U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/589,899					
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED				
PCT/EP2005/001956 TITLE OF INVENTION	24 February 2005	5 March 2004				
CERVICAL INTERVERTEBRAL DISC PROSTHESIS INCLUDING ANTI-DISLOCATION DEVICE AND						
INSTRUMENTS FOR IMPLANTATION	THEREOF (AS AMENDED)					
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Helmut D. LINK et al.						
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:						
1. This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.						
2. X This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.						
3. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.						
4. The US has been elected (Article 31).						
5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2))						
a. is attached hereto (required on	ly if not communicated by the Internation	onal Bureau).				
b. has been communicated by the	e International Bureau.					
c: is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).						
6. An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).						
a. is attached hereto.						
b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).						
7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))						
a. are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).						
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d. have not been made and will no	ot be made.					
8. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).						
9. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).						
An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).						
Items 11 to 20 below concern docum	nent(s) or information included:					
11. An Information Disclosure Staten	nent under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.					
12. An assignment document for recor	rding. A separate cover sheet in compli	iance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.				
13. X A preliminary amendment.						
14. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.						
15. A substitute specification.						
16. A power of attorney and/or chang	e of address letter.					
7. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 – 1.825.						
8. A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).						
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